

REMARKS

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

During a telephone interview on January 30, 2008, Examiner Stigell stated that the above claim amendments will overcome all objections and rejections and place the application in condition for allowance with claims 12 and 17-20. The Examiner also confirmed that the Office Action of January 9 is a non-final Office Action.

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Thus, in view of the above claim amendments, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the objection to the specification under 35 U.S.C. § 132(a).

Furthermore, and in view of the above Examiner-approved claim amendments, Applicant also respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, first paragraph, and 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as the amended claims comply with the written description requirement, and also are not indefinite.

Thus, Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance with all of the pending claims 12 and 17-20; however, if for any reason the Examiner feels that the application is not now in condition for allowance, he is respectfully requested to **call the undersigned attorney** to discuss any unresolved issues and to expedite the disposition of the application.

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111
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Applicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this application, and any required fee for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and/or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

Respectfully submitted,

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